(c) if so, whether the locations for the remaining two hydro projects have been identified; if so, the details thereof; and

(d) by when these projects are expected to be commissioned?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) to (c) NTPC Ltd. has identified the following hydro-power projects for implementation in North-Eastern State:—

Sl.No.	Project	Capacity	State
1.	Kalai I	1450MW	Arunachal Pradesh
2.	Kalai II	1200MW	Arunachal Pradesh
3.	Hutong I	588 MW	Arunachal Pradesh
3.	Hutong II	1250 MW	Arunachal Pradesh

On the basis of Pre-Feasibility Report (PFR), Government of Arunachal Pradesh has initially given in-principle approval for detailed investigations, preparation of detailed Project Report and subsequent development of Kalai-II and Hutong-I Hydro Power Projects.

(d) These projects are envisaged for completion in Twelfth Five Year Plan.

Removal of Cap for Mega Power Projects

3897. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are proposing to remove the cap for mega size power projects and also remove the tax structure for captive power plants to bring on par with units of other power projects; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Execution of Mega Power Projects in Andhra Pradesh

3898. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two mega power projects with a total installed capacity of 3,700 MW are being set up in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a special purpose vehicle—Andhra Pradesh Power Development Company, has been formed to facilitate fast track execution of the project; and

(c) the progress achieved so far in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) Andhra Pradesh Power Generation Corporation Limited (APGENCO) has informed that two mega power projects with a total installed capacity of 3,700 MW are being set up in Andhra Pradesh, namely 2100 MW gas based power plant near Karimnagar and 1600 MW (2x800 MW) coal based thermal power plant at Krishnapatnam. A Special Purpose Vehicle namely Andhra Pradesh Power Development Company Limited (APPDCL) has been formed to facilitate fast track execution of the projects.

(c) APGENCO have informed of the following progress having been made:

(i) Progress achieved so far in respect of 2100 MW gas based power plant near Karimnagar

About 130 acres of land has been identified near Karimnagar for setting up the project. M/s. TCE Consulting Engineers, Bangalore have been appointed as Technical Consultants for feasibility studies, preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) and assisting APPDCL in tendering of EPC contract on the basis of International Competitive Bidding. Work relating to environmental studies and preparation of EIA reports has been entrusted to Ecosmart, New Delhi. Works relating to soil investigation studies and topographical survey of the identified site have been entrusted to local company. Lower Maneru Dam near Karimnagar has been identified as source of water.

(ii) Progress achieved so far in respect of 1600 MW Krishnapatnam Thermal Power Station:

1255 acres of land has been identified which requires rehabilitation of one hamlet of 77 households. M/s Lahmeyer International (India) Pvt. Ltd., Gurgaon have been appointed as Technical Consultants for

Feasibility Studies and preparation of Detailed Project Report. M/s EPTRI, Hyderabad have been appointed for conducting environmental studies and preparation of EIA reports. Works relating to soil investigation studies and topographical survey of the identified land have been entrusted to local company.

Demand for power

3899. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated demand of power in the country by the year 2005, State-wise, particularly in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether the existing power plants are likely to be able to meet the power demand and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total power generating capacity of the existing power plants at present, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government of Gujarat has requested for more share of power from Central Pool; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) The year 2005 having already elapsed, actual Power Supply position in the country including Andhra Pradesh during 2005-06 is enclosed at Statement I (*See* below).

(c) State-wise power generating capacity of existing power plants as on 31.03.2006 is given at Statement II (*See* below).

(d) and (e) The Government of Gujarat has presently been allocated 36 MW power from the Central Generating Stations (CGSs) of Western Region. They have requested for enhancement in allocation from unallocated quota of the central generating stations in Western Region and Eastern Region. The 15% unallocated power in central generating stations is kept at the disposal of Central Government for seasonal and emergent requirement of constituent States/UTs and is allocated to various States and UTs from time to time keeping in view their relative power supply position.